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For: OPTICAL DISK HAVING PITS OF DIFFERENT DEPTHS FORMED  
THEREIN, OPTICAL DISK REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR  
REPRODUCING THE OPTICAL DISK, AND METHOD OF TRACKING THE  
OPTICAL DISK

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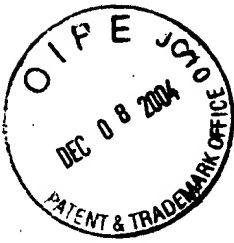
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